

**Amendments to the Drawings**

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figs. 5 and 6. This sheet, which also includes Figs. 1 and 2, replaces the original sheet including Figs. 1, 2, 5 and 6. In Figs. 5 and 6, the legend "Prior Art" is added.

Attachments:      Replacement Sheet  
                         Annotated Sheet Showing Changes

**Remarks/Arguments**

Reconsideration of this application is requested.

**Drawings**

Figures 5 and 6 are objected to under MPEP 608.02(g) for lacking a legend such as "Prior Art". In response, Figures 5 and 6 are amended to include the legend "Prior Art". A replacement sheet with the corrections to Figures 5 and 6, and an annotated sheet showing the changes, are enclosed.

**Specification**

The title of the amended as suggested in the Action to be clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

**Claim Status**

Claims 1-20 were presented. By this amendment, claims 1-3 are canceled and claims 4, 9, 11 and 13 are amended. Accordingly, claims 4-20 are now pending.

**Claim Rejections – 35 USC 112**

Claim 11 is rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, for lacking antecedent basis for "the N channel transistor". In response, claim 11 is amended as suggested to depend from claim 10 rather than from claim 9.

**Claim Rejections – 35 USC 103**

Claims 1-3 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as obvious over Manstretta et al. (US 6,242,971) in view of applicant's Figs. 5-6. Claims 1-3 are canceled, without prejudice.

**Allowable Subject Matter**

The allowance of claims 15-20 is noted and appreciated. Claims 4-10 and 12-14 are indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form, and claim 11 is indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form and to overcome the rejection under 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

In response, claim 4 is rewritten in independent form, and includes all limitations of base claim 1 from which it directly depends. Claims 5-8 depend from

claim 4. Claim 9 is rewritten in independent form, and includes all limitations of base claim 1 from which it directly depends. Claims 12-14 depend from claim 9. As noted above, claim 11 is rewritten to depend from claim 10 in order to overcome the rejection under 35 USC 112. In addition, claim 13 is amended at applicant's initiative so that its preamble is in the same format as the other claims of this application.

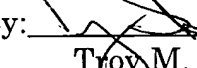
In view of these amendments, applicant submits that claims 4-20 are now in condition for allowance.

### **Conclusion**

This application is now in condition for allowance. The examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned to resolve any issues that remain after entry of this amendment. Any fees due with this response may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

Respectfully submitted,  
HOGAN & HARTSON L.L.P.

Date: April 29, 2005

By:   
Troy M. Schmelzer  
Registration No. 36,667  
Attorney for Applicant(s)

500 South Grand Avenue, Suite 1900  
Los Angeles, California 90071  
Phone: 213-337-6700  
Fax: 213-337-6701

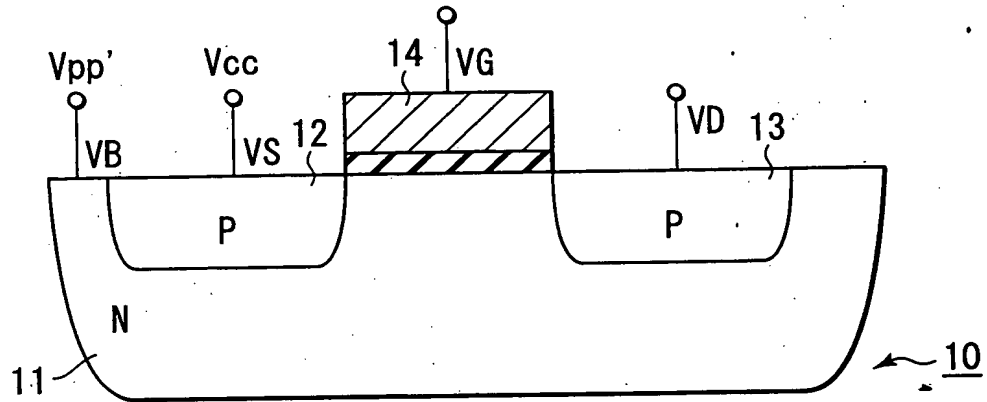


FIG. 2

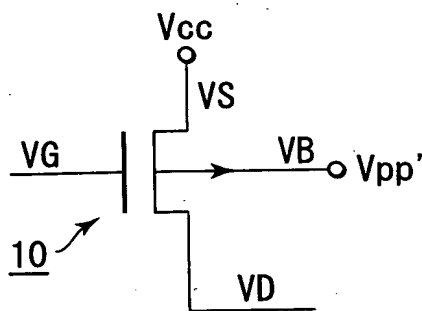


FIG. 1

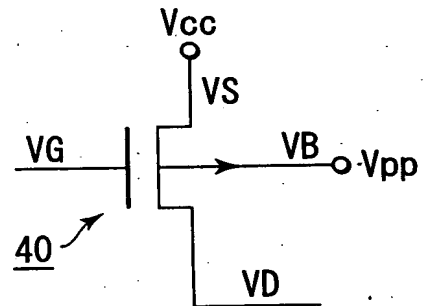


FIG. 5  
Prior Art

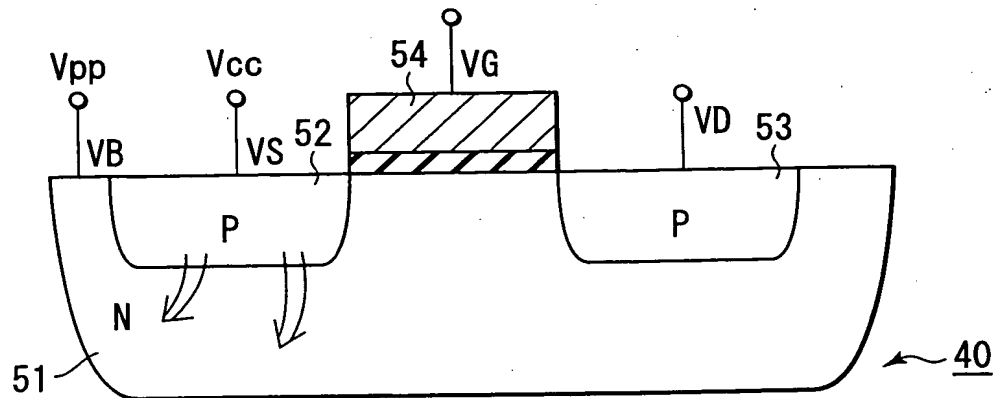


FIG. 6  
Prior Art